

[ABSTRACT]**- - ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE - -**

An interdental toothbrush comprising a handle [(1) and] mounting a wire brush [(8) attached thereto, in which]. T[t]he [wire] brush is formed integrally with a support [(6)] joined rotat[ingly]ably to the handle[, so] such that [the] tilting of the [wire] brush [with respect] relative to [the] an axis of the handle [may be] is adjust[ed]able to a selected angle, the toothbrush being further [means (11,12) being] provided with a lock for [locking said] securing the support at [the desired] the selected angle [with respect to the handle].

[(FIG. 1)]

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend page 6, paragraph 1, to read as follows:

- - WHAT IS CLAIMED IS: - -**[CLAIMS]**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned Application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended) An interdental toothbrush comprising a handle [and] mounting a wire brush [attached thereto], [wherein] the [wire] brush [is] being integral with a support rotatably joined [rotatingly] to the handle[, so] such that tilting of the [wire] brush [with respect] relative to [the] an axis of the handle can be adjusted, the toothbrush being further [means being] provided with a lock for [locking said] securing the support at [the desired] a selected angle with respect to the handle axis.

Claim 2 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support has a pin transvers[al]e [with respect] to the axis of the [wire] brush for rotatable engag[ing rotatingly in]ement with a seat [made in the] at an end of [said] the handle.

Claim 3 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 2, wherein [two] parallel, ring-shapeded expansions, each defining a relatively circular seat, are [made] formed in the end of [said] the handle.

Claim 4 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support has a pin transvers[al]e [with respect] to the axis of the [wire] brush for rotatable engag[ing rotatingly in]ement with a seat [made in the] at an end of [said] the handle, [said] the seat having a generally circular

shape and being defined by [two] a plurality of ring-shape expansions that extend[ing] from, and relatively [in a] parallel [way from] to, one end of the handle.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 4, wherein the diameter of [said] the seat is substantially equal to the diameter of [said] the pin.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 2, wherein [said means for locking the support at a desired angle with respect to the handle] the lock comprises at least one radial tooth formed on [said] the pin and a plurality of cavities formed on [the] a surface delimiting [said] the seat for engaging [said] the tooth, [said] the cavities being spaced angularly relative to one another, [so] such that the [wire] brush [may be] is lock[ed]able at the [desired] selected angle.

Claim 7 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 4, wherein [said] the pin has at least one radial tooth, and a plurality of cavities are provided on [the] a surface delimiting at least one of [said] the seats for engaging [said] the tooth, [said] the cavities being spaced angularly relative to one another, [so] such that the [wire] brush [may be] is lock[ed]able at the [desired] selected angle.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support [is] comprises an elongated stem[,]
extending from one end of [which] the [wire] brush [extends], a transvers[al]e pin being provided at the other end of the brush.

Claim 9 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the handle is made of [two] a plurality of connectable [halves] portions, each of [said halves] the portions terminating with one of [said] the ring-shape expansions and being rotat[ingly]ably joined to one another [by their] at opposi[te]ing ends, a protrusion being provided on one of [said] the halves for engaging [in] a corresponding cavity[, made] formed correspondingly in [the] another [half] portion[, with] upon applying relatively moderate force [being applied] thereto, such that [keep said two halves] the portions are reversibly joined one to the other.

REMARKS

The captioned Application has been amended to comport with U.S. practice, and, in so doing, to better define the invention without limiting effect. No new matter has been